

PACKERS CONFINED TO MEAT BUSINESS

Judge Signs Injunction Making Effective Agreed Upon Divorcement Decree

ENDS MENACE, SAYS PALMER

By the Associated Press

Washington, Feb. 27.—The agreed-upon decree, by which the "Big Five" packers are forever enjoined from engaging in any line of business other than that of handling meat and by-products was filed today in the District of Columbia Supreme Court.

It was submitted by Attorney General Palmer, who said it "removes the menace of control of unrelated industries by the 'Big Five' and confines their activities in future to the business of distributing meat and its by-products."

Counsel for the packers, in a statement to the court, said the decree had been agreed to by the defendants "not because of guilt, but that the American people may be assured that there is not the remotest possibility of a food monopoly by the packers."

After hearing statements by counsel for the government and the packers, Chief Justice McHugh signed the injunction making effective the agreement.

Attorney General Palmer, in a statement commenting upon the effect of the packers' divorcement decree, said: "The decree which the Department of Justice has brought about by urgent insistence is designed to restore freedom of competition and increase the opportunities for individual initiative in business which must in time bear good fruit for the public welfare."

"These great aggregations of capital which have come to be known as the 'big five' have been able to dominate so many lines of trade that their continued and unrestrained growth constituted a real menace, not only to American business, but to the American consuming public as well."

What Decree Requires

"Under the decree entered the chief packing companies, their subsidiaries and principal stockholders are compelled to sell, preferably to livestock producers and the public."

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"All their interest in stockyard railroads and terminals."
"All their interest in market newspapers."
"All their interest in public cold-storage warehouses, except that which is necessary for their own meat products."

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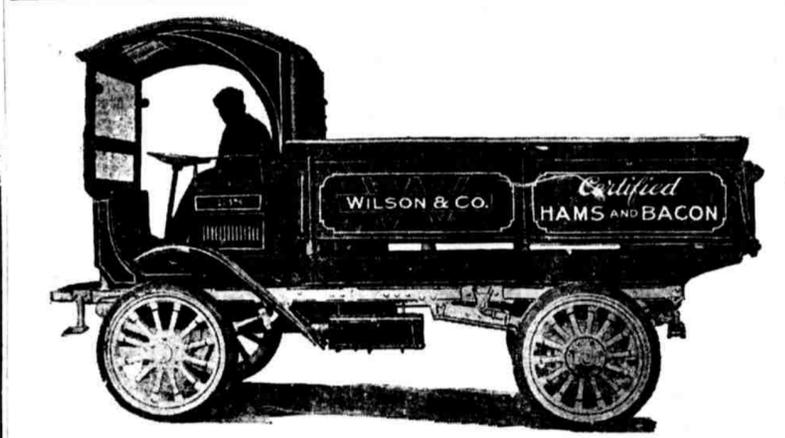
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The company claims that with the coal strike over the necessity for regulating coal shipments no longer exists and that through the diversion of coal it is being deprived of its property without due process of law. It also charged that

"That the packing industry is efficient and is conducted on the smallest margin of profit of any large basic industry in the country, the defendants stand ready and willing to demonstrate at all times."

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The dead are Thomas Brennan and Michael Karbell. Both were alive when taken from the fire and received the last rites of the Catholic Church in a shack within the plant yard.



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